This memorial page is dedicated to Sandy Maddux who gave so much to our Chapter. I can’t think of a better way to remember Sandy and all that she did.

On September 11, 2014, our Chapter lost a true friend and ardent supporter. For those who did not know her, Sandy Maddux retired in 2003 as a Training Technician for the Federal Bureau of Investigation after 39 years of service. She was the FBINA liaison out of the Albany Division. Sandra worked closely with state and local law enforcement agencies and FBI National Academy graduates from New York, Vermont, and Canada. Sandy’s specific duties included being the liaison with state and local law enforcement to recruiting the National Academy applicants. She also coordinated the application process, and admission of National Academy applicants. Sandy was instrumental in facilitating National Academy information session meetings with the Chapter presidents to incoming and outgoing National Academy attendees. She also attended National Academy Conferences and assisted with registration and conference functions. Sandy and her husband Bob were very passionate about her role with the National Academy.

Sandra loved meeting people and having fun. She had a great sense of humor and a way of making anyone she was talking to feel special. She enjoyed ballroom dancing, playing golf, attending Revolutionary War-reenactments, and just being with her husband of 43 years, Robert B. Maddux.

Who Sandy was as a human being can be summoned up succinctly by Retired Special Agent James Caverly, one of Sandy’s former bosses: “From approximately 1994 to 1999 Sandy was very involved with the National Academy. The magic with Sandy was that once you met her she was a friend forever. Whenever Sandy’s name was mentioned, people would go out of their way to lend assistance. The Albany Division hosted a Christmas party for children of our employees each year. Sandy put on her Elf outfit, including her special Elf slippers and served as
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Santa’s helper. I think the kids came more to visit with Sandy than to see Santa. Her energy and love for these young folks remained with them for many years after their visit with the FBI Elf.

Sandy took great pride in being involved in National Academy activities, both she and her husband Bob would be early arrivals as planning progressed for re-trainers. She was a pioneer in recognizing the importance of cooperation among various law enforcement agencies and realized the value of bringing a wide range of the best and brightest together at the NA and the importance of maintaining those relationships through the re-trainers. She made sure she did everything she could to maximize the effectiveness of those sessions.

On a personal level, Sandy was a joy to share an office with. Sandy understood the workings of the FBI and was respected by those who worked alongside her. I felt blessed to have worked alongside her. She made my final five years with the Bureau a great place to come to work.

Sandy’s husband Bob had to be one of the luckiest guys in the world. I was always very impressed with their relationship. There was never any question they loved one another in a very special way. They loved ballroom dancing, among other activities; as you spoke with Sandy there was never any doubt about the importance of her husband in her life.”

Bill Mohr, our Chapter Past President added: “I moved to the Albany area in 1975 and continued my relationship with the NA Chapter (I was previously involved with the Buffalo Division). It wasn’t long before I had a deep working relationship with Sandy Maddux and her supervisor. Over the years I worked closely with both individually but it was Sandy that I contacted and worked with the most. Whenever a question arose that I couldn’t answer, I made a call to Sandy. She was involved in every planning session for NA events planned out of the Albany office. She was the go to person not only on how things were done in the past, but offering suggestions for moving forward. I worked with her on almost every registration committee, even after my retirement. Sandy was a breath of fresh air and never got flustered when problems arose - as they usually did. Sandy and Bob were like family to my wife and I. Without a doubt she left a big pair of shoes to fill and a void in all the hearts of people who knew her. I can’t think of anyone more deserving of this recognition.”

Without people like Sandy Maddux, we couldn’t be a successful Chapter. We owe our profound gratitude to Sandy and to her husband Bob for being there for us and supporting our Chapter.

In closing, at the behest of the Executive Board, The New York State and Eastern Canada Chapter of the FBI National Academy Associates, in conjunction with Sandy’s husband, Bob, will be placing the FBI National Academy Memorial Marker on Sandy’s headstone as an infinitum tribute to her commitment to this Chapter and to the NA.

Fraternally,
Antoine J. Karam
President 2016